C. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method of updating client contact data for a user of one or more financial institutions, said method comprising:
 - wherein the user has one or more financial accounts with each of the selected financial institutions;
 - retrieving access information corresponding to the selected financial institutions, wherein the access information is retrieved from a finance program data area on a client computer;
 - packaging the client contact data with data from the retrieved access information forming one or more client contact update requests; and
 - sending one of the client contact update requests <u>from the client computer</u> to each of the selected financial institutions using data from the retrieved access information.
- 2. (Original) The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:
 encrypting the packaged client contact data.
- 3. (Original) The method as described in claim 1 wherein the client contact data includes at least one of a client name, a client address, a client phone number, a client facsimile number, and a client email address.
- 4. (Original) The method as described in claim 1 wherein the access information includes at least one of a user identifier, a password, and a financial computer electronic address.

- 5. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1 wherein the packaging is performed in response to [[a]] the user requesting that the client contact data be transmitted to one or more of the financial institutions.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:
 - receiving one of the client contact update requests from

 [[a]] the client computer, the received client contact

 update request being at a computer corresponding to

 one of the financial institutions;

validating the client update request; and
updating a nonvolatile storage area corresponding to the
 client based on the client contact data included in
 the client contact update request.

- 7. (Original) The method as described in claim 6 further comprising:
 - sending a confirmation message to the client computer in response to the updating.
- 8. (Original) The method as described in claim 1 further comprising:
 - encrypting at least one of the client contact update requests with a private key corresponding to a client, wherein the encrypted request is decipherable using a public key corresponding to the client.
- 9. (Currently Amended) An information handling system comprising:

one or more processors;

- a memory accessible by the processors;
- a nonvolatile storage device accessible by the processors;

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- a network interface accessible by the processors;
- a client contact update tool for updating client contact data for a user of one or more financial institutions, the client contact update tool including:
 - means for selecting one or more of the financial institutions, wherein the user has one or more financial accounts with each of the selected financial institutions;
 - means for retrieving access information corresponding to the selected financial institutions, wherein the access information is retrieved from a finance program data area on the information handling system;
 - means for packaging the client contact data with data from the retrieved access information forming one or more client contact update requests; and
 - means for sending one of the client contact update requests from the information handling system to each of the selected financial institutions over the network interface using data from the retrieved access information.
- 10. (Original) The information handling system as described in claim 9 wherein the client contact data includes at least one of a client name, a client address, a client phone number, a client facsimile number, and a client email address.
- 11. (Original) The information handling system as described in claim 9 further comprising:
 - means for encrypting at least one of the client contact update requests with a private key corresponding to a

- client, wherein the encrypted request is decipherable using a public key corresponding to the client.
- 12. (Original) The information handling system as described in claim 9 further comprising:
 - means for connecting the information handling system to a computer network through the network interface; and
 - means for sending the client contact update requests to network addresses corresponding to each of the selected financial institutions.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A computer program product stored on a computer operable medium for updating client contact data for a user of one or more financial institutions, said computer program product comprising:
 - means for selecting one or more of the financial institutions, wherein the user has one or more financial accounts with each of the selected financial institutions;
 - means for retrieving access information corresponding to the selected financial institutions, wherein the access information is retrieved from a finance program data area on a client computer;
 - means for packaging the client contact data with data from the retrieved access information forming one or more client contact update requests; and
 - means for sending one of the client contact update requests from the client computer to each of the selected financial institutions using data from the retrieved access information.

- 14. (Original) The computer program product as described in claim 13 further comprising: means for encrypting the packaged client contact data.
- 15. (Original) The computer program product as described in claim 13 wherein the client contact data includes at least one of a client name, a client address, a client phone number, a client facsimile number, and a client email address.
- 16. (Original) The computer program product as described in claim 13 wherein the access information includes at least one of a user identifier, a password, and a financial computer electronic address.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The computer program product as described in claim 13 wherein the means for packaging is performed in response to [[a]] the user requesting that the client contact data be transmitted to one or more of the financial institutions.
- 18. (Currently Amended) The computer program product as described in claim 13 further comprising:

 means for receiving one of the client contact update requests from [[a]] the client computer, the received client contact update request being at a computer corresponding to one of the financial institutions; means for validating the client update request; and means for updating a nonvolatile storage area corresponding to the client based on the client contact data included in the client contact update request.

- 19. (Original) The computer program product as described in claim 18 further comprising:
 means for sending a confirmation message to the client
 - means for sending a confirmation message to the client computer in response to the updating.
- 20. (Original) The computer program product as described in claim 13 further comprising:
 - means for encrypting at least one of the client contact update requests with a private key corresponding to a client, wherein the encrypted request is decipherable using a public key corresponding to the client.